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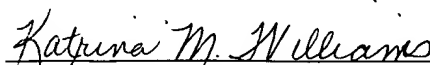
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1. Reagents and Methods Useful For Detecting Diseases of the Reproductive Tissues
2. This application is a continuation-in-part of pending U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/467,602 filed on December 20, 1999, which is a continuation-in-part of pending U.S. patent application Serial No. 08/215,818 filed on December 18, 1998, which is a continuation-in-part of 1) pending U.S. patent application Serial No. 08/912,276, filed on August 17, 1997, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Serial No. 08/697,105, filed on August 19, 1996, now abandoned, as well as 2) a continuation-in-part of pending U.S. patent application Serial No. 08/912,149, filed on August 15, 1997, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Serial No. 08/697,106, filed on August 19, 1996, now abandoned, from which priority is claimed pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §120 and which are all incorporated herein by reference in their entirety. Furthermore, the subject application is also a continuation-in-part of 1) pending U.S. patent application Ser. No. 08/964,725 filed on November 5, 1997 which is a continuation-in-part of abandoned U.S. patent application Ser. No. 08/744,211 filed on November 5, 1996 and 2) pending U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/016,387 filed on January 30, 1998 which is a continuation-in-part of abandoned U.S. patent application Ser. No. 08/791,710 filed on January 31, 1997. All patent applications and issued patents, cited above, are hereby incorporated in their entirety, by reference.

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